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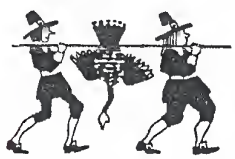

FROM YOUR EDITOR
By Dennis Helmer

"Our newsletter is the most important communications vehicle that we have. It keeps our mutual collecting interests alive, and can serve to develop a broader sharing of the selective information that we all possess.

I really need your articles if we intend to keep NJES alive and growing. Please send me your articles about your particular specialty, so I can include it in a future JERSEYana."

When I made these pleas in the last issues, I only had two of Curtis Judge's fine book reviews in my backlog of articles. I now have only 1 articles waiting "in the wings" (AN INTERESTING ARTICLE ABOUT EARLY NEW JERSEY TURNPIKE TOLL PASSES by David Gladfelter); and I urge each and every one of you to renew your commitment to NJES, and share your hard earned knowledge by sending me an article. I will ask for your patience, in advance, if I do not publish your article in the next issue...My promise to you is that I will publish it as soon as I can within the existing space limitations. Its OK to send me hand printed or written material...but I must warn you in advance that I sometimes have trouble deciphering even my own handwriting!!!!

The publication schedule for the upcoming 1997 season of *JERSEYana* is:

1997	CLOSING DATE	ISSUE # / DATE	
JAN-FEB-MAR	Jan15	84	February 15
APR-MAY-JUN	Apr 15	85	May 15
JUL-AUG-SEPT	Jul 15	86	August 15
OCT-NOV-DEC	Oct 15	87	November 15

Send me your articles so we can share the wealth of knowledge that exists in our Society.

WE NEED YOUR INPUTS IF WE ARE TO KEEP GOING IN 1997 !!!!!

IN MEMORY

After suffering from a sudden lung ailment, a heart attack and a stroke, long time member Rodger Hershey died October 11, 1996.

Roger was a dear friend who accompanied and assisted me at the any shows we attended over the years. He was an avid collector of Marine Corps and Sports exonumia, winning many awards with exhibits at the annual ANA conventions and regional shows.

A career Marine, he retired from the Corps as a full Colonel and will be honored with internment in Arlington National Cemetery.

Rest Peacefully Rodger.

Al Zaika

STEVE MIDDLETON AWARDED FIRST PLACE

At the 105th Anniversary convention of the ANA, in Denver , Aug. 14-17, our own Steve Middleton captured First place in CLASS 4-TOKENS...B.P.Wright Memorial...for his exhibit "From the dies of Joseph H. Merriam". Congratulations Steve...and thanks for your continued dedication to the hobby and NJES.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

By Steve Middleton

The current roster of NJES includes 59 regular members and 36 Life Members. We also send JERSEYana to four numismatic libraries, gratis, and keep them on our roster.

I apologize for any errors in our mailing list during the past few months. A new computer database is now in use and, hopefully, the bugs have been exterminated. We have also been trying to regain members who have recently let their memberships expire: If you know of any prospective members, past members or otherwise, please drop me a note, or call at 201-627-0705.

TREASURERS REPORT

By Al Zaika

Balance as of October12, 1996

Collective Savings Bank account	$1,969.72
Collective 6 mos. CD	2,000.00
Total on Hand	$3,969.72

THE ALLIVINE COMPANY
by Bill Miller

Collectors of merchant tokens are, of course, aware of the increased interest in the collecting of tokens during the last 20 years. Many new collecting organizations have been formed and new books have been written. In the mid 1980's, inspired by the book,Maryland Merchant Tokens, authored by David Schenkman, I decided to research and catalog merchant tokens of Delaware. From this effort came the book Delaware Merchant Tokens, published by TAMS in 1988.

During the years of researching tokens found in the Delaware area, I came across several tokens from the Allivine Company. Most of these tokens "showed up" in the Dover, Delaware area. Exhaustive research failed to turn up any conclusive information about these tokens, but I soon had the feeling they might be from New Jersey. Unfortunately, I had no comprehensive research materials to support this theory.

Earlier this year, I received an excellent source of information about New Jersey companies that canned fruits and vegetables. Alan Jeffrey, a fellow token collector from Grayslake, Illinois (his specialty is Sprague Canning Machinery tokens) sent me his copy of Commercial Canning in New Jersey...History and Early Development. This book has a wealth of information about New Jersey companies, many of which issued and used tokens. Sure enough, on page 417, there was information concerning the Allivine Company of Norma, NJ.

The Allivine Company existed from about 1909-1916, when it was bought out by the Torsch Packing Company of Baltimore, MD. Torsch continued to operate the cannery in Norma until 1922.

So, how did the tokens show up in Delaware? Well, the Torsch Packing Company also operated in Milford, about 15 miles south of Dover. Probably after the Norma location was closed, the company proceeded to move its machinery, tokens included, to Milford; where they continued to use the token with slight modifications.

On many of the tokens, the name "Allivine" was scraped off and a small "T" was counterstamped. The "T" most likely stands for Torsch. There are no Torsch tokens known from Delaware, and it was common for one company to use the tokens of another.

The New Jersey book has over 500 pages of history and information and has been instrumental in my being able to positively identify several New Jersey mavericks. It solved my decade old question of the Allivine Company and will prove useful in years to come.

I invite anyone interested in identifying possible New Jersey cannery mavericks to write to me:

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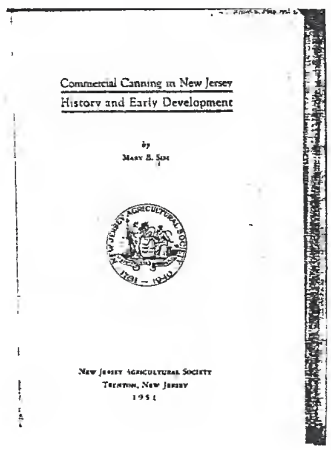

FREE CLASSIFIED ADS

NEW JERSEY memorabilia books, ephemera postcards, exonumia, tools, etc. Wanted by collector. Items must be marked "New Jersey" or "NJ" describe fully and price. Thanks. John Corbett, PO Box 155, Preston Park, PA 18455

WANTED-- Encased cents and other coins, engraved coins, pop-outs, scenic love tokens , hobo nickels, potty dollars, just about anything made from coins. Send for my offer or call me at 407-352-7807. Bob Slawsky, PO Box 864, Windermere, FL 34786

FOR TRADE TT's-car wash tokens & merchants tokens for parking tokens I need. I have many PT dupes to sell at 2X cat plus P&I. Feisel's 4th edition of parking tokens available from me at $27.00 PPD. Joe Pernicano, 58 Sonia Lane, Broomall, PA 19008

RARITAN YACHT CLUB (Perth Amboy NJ) tokens wanted. Willing to buy or trade you a Scottish Communion Token. Leonard Dunikoski, PO Box 122, Little Silver, NJ 07739

WANTED Scenic Love Tokens that have themes I need. Please Write. Dennis Wierzba, 21 Brook Hollow Lane, New Providence NJ 07974

NOVEMBER NEW ITEMS

GOOD FORS: Over 100 new pieces from many states included in my latest SWAP/SAVE LIST. Something for everyone---advanced or beginner, sell or swap, SASE, OR YOUR LIST FOR MINE.Wanted: your better NJ area transit token duplicates.What so you have to Swap or Sell?????Curtis H. Judge, 18004 Panorama Drive, Glencoe, MO, 63038

WILL TRADE my 10 different Good-Fors for your 10 different, or 50 mixed tokens and medals for same. Sam Petry, PO BOX 167, St. John, IN 46373

WW1 SERVICE MEDALS: Collector will pay highest prices or swap for WW1 Service Medal issued by States, Counties, Cities, or organizations. Please write first. Lou Small, BOX 19262 NJ, Jacksonville, FL 32245

WANTED Any Tokens or Paper referring to "WIDE-AWAKE" clubs or activities. Circa 1859-1865. Stuart Schneider , PO BOX 64, Teaneck, NJ 07666. 201-261-1983

OBSOLETE OR BROKEN BANKNOTES From all counties in New Jersey, as well as Merchant Scrip, Wanted for collection. Send photocopy or description.(Weit or Hexby #) to Tom O'Mara, 55 Runson Road, Rumson, NJ 07760

SWASTIKA TOKENS..Still looking for NY,PA,&NJ. Price and write if you have any for sale. Gary Patterson, R.R. 2 Box 154D, Peterborough, NH 03458-9322

WANTED: (1) Metal tags from railroads and transportation. (2) Railroad Tokens. (3) Old tickets from horse railroad, city railway,street railroad, stage, bridge, ferry, tollroad. (4) College and business college tokens, paper money, coupons, etc. Dan Benice, Box 7157, Naples, FL 34101

THE TIME IS ALMOST HERE

Membership renewals are due January 1st, 1997, but I urge each of you to try to make your dues payment now, before the "Hectic" Holiday Season is in full force. Your early payment will ease the task of our treasurer, Al Zaika. Dues are still a bargain at $6.00 . Send Payments to Treasurer Zaika as soon as your schedule permits.

Book Reviews by Curtis H. Judge

Iowa Merchant Trade Token Town Rarity List 4th Edition

By George Hosek

The 4th edition of George Hosek's Iowa Merchant Trade Token Town Rarity Lish has recently been completed. The catalog is soft bound and contains 73 pages of material. In preparation for the listing, the holdings of 59 different collectors of Iowa tokens were surveyed and collated for a comparative rarity guide. A total count of 57,230 tokens were surveyed. There are 45 new town/place listings not included in the last edition, bringing the total to 1091. The author divides the listings into ten different categories for easy reference by the user. The largest section covers the general rarity listing, with sections on saloon, prison, billiard, brewery, mirrors, CCC camp and plastic tokens. The section on plastic tokens is a major new addition to the listing. This expansion will now allow the collector a complete reference for all trade tokens from the state.

The work will be an asset for any collector of tokens from Iowa. Knowing the real rarity of items can save the collector many dollars in acquisition costs for his collection. Copies are available directly from the author for $15.00 postpaid.

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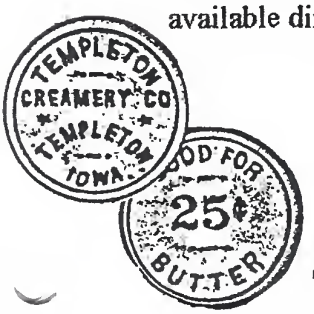

Catalog of New Mexico Trade Tokens and Related Material

by John H. & Connie Schilling

The Schillings have recently released their catalog of New Mexico Trade Tokens. This catalog is a much expanded version of the lists published in previous issues of the TAMS Journal. The work is 176 pages in length, spiral bound, and printed on heavy weight paper. Quite a number of the tokens and miscellaneous items are illustrated with line drawings or rubbings. The authors only included pre 1960 metallic tokens and some similar metallic coin-like pieces such as Masonic pennies. Cardboard, fiber, wood, plastic items are specifically excluded from the listings.

Tokens are listed alphabetically by town and then by business or proprietor's name within the town. Each listing has a complete obverse and reverse discription, along with size in mm and metallic composition. A unique catalog numbering system is not used. The lack of a numbering system as almost universally adopted in other catalogs is a drawback, and will hopefully be added in a future edition. The authors also included a rarity estimate based on their experience, but do not indicate approximate dollar values to each rarity.

This catalog is the defintive work available on New Mexico Trade Tokens and should be considered for addition to the readers library. Copies are available directly from the Authors for $25.00 postpaid.

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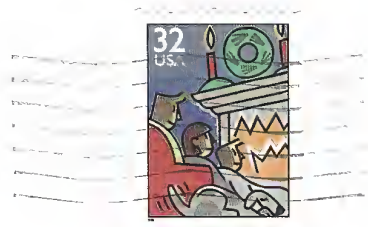

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